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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ATTACHING ELECTRONIC
SIGNATURE TO DOCUMENT HAVING STRUCTURE

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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- Assignment cover sheet and an assignment, 3 pages, and a separate \$40 fee.
- Small entity statement. This application is entitled to small entity status.
- Certified copies of priority document(s) no(s) 2001-016155.
- Postcard.
- Preliminary Amendment (5 pages)

This application is entitled to small entity status.

Under 35 USC 119, this application claims the benefit of a foreign priority
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